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Reverend Douglas Moore
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, we are requesting information relating to your contracts for the purchasing and maintenance of office machines. We would like to know the number of typewriters and dictation machines that you own and the expenditures toward the maintenance of these machines. Of these, we want the percentage of IBM typewriters and dictation equipment purchased as opposed to other brands.

In light of the General Service Administration's order on the purchasing of typewriters and dictation machines, we would like to know your justification for purchasing IBM equipment over brands priced lower.

Also, if your machines are under maintenance agreement to IBM we would like your justification for this. Information from any survey on the effectiveness of IBM maintenance is also requested.

Sincerely,

Absalom F. Jordan
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